## **EXHIBIT A**

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RE: In re High-Tech Employee Antitrust Litigation, 11-cv-2509-LHK (N.D. Cal.)

## **Dear Counsel:**

Defendants' July 19, 2013 "Objections to Evidence" is an improper sur-reply brief. Defendants filed it pursuant to Local Rule 7-3(d), which expressly prohibits "further argument on the motion." The sur-reply is almost entirely "further argument" on Plaintiffs' Supplemental Class Certification Motion. This argument, consisting of an improper attempt to rehabilitate Drs. Murphy and Shaw and re-argue the merits of the pending motion, is plain abuse of Local Rule 7-3(d).

By noon on Tuesday, July 23, 2013, please confirm whether Defendants will withdraw the brief. I am available to meet and confer regarding this matter in the meantime. If Defendants will not withdraw the brief, Plaintiffs will seek appropriate relief from the Court.

Very truly yours.

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